

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Toshiaki NAGASHIMA, et al. ) : Examiner: Sameh Tawfik  
Application No.: 10/820,112 ) : Group Art Unit: 3721  
Filed: April 8, 2004 ) : Confirmation No.: 8398  
For: TONER CONTAINER ) : October 10, 2006  
MANUFACTURING METHOD AND ) : (Tuesday After A  
(As Amended) ) : Federal Holiday

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, enclosed is a Notification of First Office Action (the "Notification") dated August 18, 2006 in Chinese counterpart Application No. 20040031050.2, citing two documents which were previously cited in the present application. Specifically, JP 9-222839 was cited in the October 1, 2004 Information Disclosure Statement (the "IDS") and in a Supplemental IDS, filed September 30, 2005. (The Supplemental IDS was filed for the reasons set forth therein, in response to the Examiner's comments in the Official Action, dated June 27, 2005.) This document is also discussed at page 1 and at page 4, line 27 to page 5, line 13 of the specification. U.S. Patent No. 4,228,633 was cited by the Examiner in the

Official Action dated June 27, 2005 on PTO Form-892. Therefore, these documents are not being submitted herewith. However, the Notification is identified on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and a copy of the Notification is enclosed.

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No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the Notification be considered by the Examiner and that an indication that such information has been considered be included in the next Official Action.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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